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# GLADIOLUS

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Fikes' Glad Gardens

Valparaiso, Nebraska

*"Valley of Paradise"*

## Dear Friends:

With the issuing of our 1951 Catalog, we are entering into another season of anticipation. We are no different than the "back yard" grower when it comes to planting that first bulb or seeing that first spike. Each bulb planted may be the one that will produce that champion spike like the one seen at the last show or in your neighbor's yard. With these thoughts one works with renewed effort and hope, with results at blooming time or at the show as your reward. Just remember, if you want to produce a show spike, planting in the open sun, cultivation, sufficient water, and (if needed) dusting are the points to keep in mind.

Our gardens were particularly colorful last year and the scores of visitors couldn't resist the urge to order their bulbs at that time. Our glads are in bloom from mid-July until mid-September. If you are in this vicinity stop by and see the glads and chat awhile. We are never too busy to talk glads. At the field is the best time to buy your bulbs as you can see for yourselves the beauty and color ranging from the most delicate pastels to the black reds and smokies. Due to this fact, we sold out many of the varieties we had planned to list. We are sold out of all sizes on the following varieties: Aurora, Buckeye Bronze, Fort Ti, Harmau, H. R. Hancock, Kestrel, Leading Lady, Margaret Beaton, Marsellaise, Miss Wisconsin, Oregon Red, Paradise, Phantom Beauty, Picardy, Pinocchio, Red Charm, Robinson Crusoe, Sahara, Tunia's Marvel, and Tunisia. We have discontinued growing the following varieties: Connecticut Yankee, Dieppe, Genghis Khan, Glamis, Lavender Queen, Pink Paragon, Rudolph Serkin, and Variation.

It is impossible to do justice to most glads in a catalog. Even colored pictures are apt to be misleading. Some colored photos are so different in color from the true shade that they could be another variety. Since pictures in a catalog cost considerable and are misleading as well, we have used none and instead hold our bulb prices down proportionately. We do not claim to be "cut rate" growers but few growers of guaranteed stock undersell us. Our bulbs are state inspected twice during the year for your protection and are guaranteed to be true to name. We have yet to receive our first complaint on our bulbs. This is quite a record in view of the thousands sold throughout the country.

Our results at the shows attended this year were particularly gratifying. At the Midwest show we made 37 entries and won 22 blue ribbons, 10 reds and 4 whites for a total of 36 as well as receiving a beautiful cup for being high point commercial grower. We also got a medal for most points in the basket class. We entered a basket of each of the following: Truelove, Mother Kadel, Purple Supreme, Annamae, and mixed. A total of 5 baskets and 5 blue ribbons. Our baskets of Annamae and Truelove, all grown from small bulbs, we felt were very outstanding and caused a lot of comment. We also had the 10 best North American varieties and the best recent introduction with our entry of Fuchsia Maid.

At the Nebraska 2 day show we made 55 entries and won 25 blues, 12 red, and 7 whites for a total of 44. We had the best collection of 8 new varieties which won us a beautiful gold trophy. Also won the NEGS blue rosette for the best recent introduction (Spic & Span). We were also very pleased to win the Reserve Grand Champion with the same variety.

A week later found us at the Sioux City show winning 14 ribbons out of 16 entries. (10 blue, 2 red, and 2 white). Won the Division Champion in the 400 single spike class with Firebrand which also won us the Grand Champion and a beautiful trophy.

Our Annamae and Stoplight, altho older and less expensive than many, were outstanding this year. Both grew from waist high to shoulder high from small bulbs. Many growers are getting new stock from our strain of Annamae.

As usual, the amount of extras included will be in proportion to the size of the order. Be sure and note the free permanent weatherproof tag offer found elsewhere in this catalog. We use these tags entirely and have found they are good for many years.

Orders are booked as received. We again urge you to order early even though shipment is requested for planting time. Each order is acknowledged and no substitutions are made without your permission. Full cultural directions are included with each shipment of bulbs. When your shipment arrives, the package should be opened immediately so the air can get to the bulbs. Place them in a cool (not freezing), dry place until planting. If you have any questions regarding your glads, let us hear from you and we will do our best to help you in any way we can. Any of you folks who have not ordered in the last three years will be dropped from our mailing list unless we hear from you this year with a request to remain on or with a bulb order. If you do not care to order from this catalog, possibly you could give it to a friend or neighbor that might be interested.

We want to thank our many customers for past business and hope you will all find varieties of your liking listed herein. Your repeat orders and friendly comments are most gratifying. We're sure, with a little care, our bulbs will do as well for you as they do for us here in "The Valley of Paradise".

R. E. & H. D. Fike

### OUR GUARANTEE

All bulbs are guaranteed to be healthy, vigorous, true to name and free from dangerously injurious insect pests and plant diseases.

If at any time, either after receiving bulbs or after blooming, you feel you have reason for complaint, write us and we will do our best to make things right. Satisfaction is our aim.

### ORDERS

Orders are filled as they are received. These prices cancel all previous price lists. All quotations are subject to prior sale and terms are cash with order. We suggest that you order early to avoid disappointment. All orders will be promptly acknowledged showing your order number. Kindly refer to this number in any correspondence. **On orders for less than \$2.00, include a fee of '25c to cover the cost of postage and packing.** Orders from the retail list amounting to \$2.00 or more will be prepaid to any point in the United States. Prices in the wholesale list are not prepaid, but are F. O. B. Valparaiso, Nebr.

If you order part from the retail and part from the wholesale, your bulbs will be sent transportation collect and overcount or extras will be included to make up for the transportation on the retail items. **When all or part of your order is from the wholesale list, please do not send money to cover transportation. We cannot estimate the charges so please wait and pay the transportation charges when the shipment arrives.**

When a variety is listed at 2 for .20c or 2 for .25c, etc., please do not order a smaller number at a lower price.

We feel our prices are low enough so that additional discounts are not necessary. **Generous overcount and extras will be found in proportion to the size of your order.**

If we are out of what you order be sure and check your preference on the order blank.

### A SUGGESTION

We suggest you take advantage of the FREE Aluminum Weather-proof Tag offer shown inside back cover.

We might also suggest that you follow the complete cultural directions found with each order. By so doing, you will be well repaid for your efforts in gorgeous blooms of show quality as well as healthy, vigorous bulbs in the fall.

## FREE BULBS

Free bulbs will be sent with your order for sending us the names of friends not receiving our catalog who are flower lovers.

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## BULB SIZE AND COLOR INFORMATION

Our bulbs are listed by color to simplify your ordering. Large bulbs are over  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches in diameter, medium from  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch to  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch and small bulbs  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch to  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch.

The following arrangement is standard for all gladiolus shows and are grouped according to size as follows:

Miniature florets—size 100, under  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches.

Small florets—size 200,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $3\frac{1}{4}$  inches across.

Medium florets—size 300,  $3\frac{1}{4}$  to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches across.

Large florets—size 400,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  to  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches across.

Giant florets—size 500,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches and up.

The last two figures in the number denote the color, in other words a 506 is a giant cream, a 352 is a medium deep red, etc.

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## RETAIL PRICE LIST

### WHITE GLADIOLUS - Color Class 00

Annamae is tops in this class. Grows 3 to 4 feet high from small. SNOW PRINCESS is always good. Due to a shortage in the 01 class, we are including SILENTIUM here with the whites. Look for new varieties in both classes in our catalog next year. Nothing but small SILVER WINGS to list, all other sizes sold out on fall list.

400 ANNAMAE (70 days) an early pure white with consistantly fine blooms. Stands up well in hot weather. A wonderful commercial white.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-30c

500 SILVER WINGS (88 days) one of the best white sports of Picardy. Heavily ruffled with a touch of cream in the throat. A glistening white commercial with rapid increase.

Small only 4-20c

400 SNOWBANK (85 days) a beautifully ruffled white with a slight creamy throat. A 1945 introduction by Palmer.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 3-20c, 10-55c

400 SNOW PRINCESS (80 days) large milky white with creamy throat. Has a tall spike and is considered about the best of the low priced commercial whites. Opens well from a tight bud.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-25c

401 SILENTIUM (80 days) has a slightly smaller floret than Margaret Beaton but the spikes grow tall and straight. The throat has a slight carmine feathering.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 4-25c, 10-50c, Small 10-30c

## CREAM - Class 06

LADY JANE was the standout glad last year. ORIENTAL PEARL while a fine glad did not grow as tall as usual. WHITE GOLD grew as large as ever.

- 406 LADY JANE (85 days) a clear cream with yellow lips which give it the appearance of a light yellow. A consistantly fine glad from large bulbs. A good commercial.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c

- 506 ORIENTAL PEARL (85 days) has a distinctive pearly cream color, growing up to 5 feet tall with giant florets.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c

- 506 WHITE GOLD (70 days) a giant cream blending to gold in the throat. This is a glad that will stand out because of its size.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-25c

## YELLOW - Light 10 Deep 12

All the glads in this class are good. They bloomed up to expectations all through the summer. The big drop in the price of GOLDEN ARROW makes this variety a very good buy.

- 312 ELIBABETH MAIER (85 days) a beautiful clear yellow with frilled petal edges, 10 to 12 florets open on a 22 to 25 bud spike. This is a fine glad and one you will want to show your friends.

Large 25c each, Medium 20c each

- 412 GOLD DUST (70 days) early deep yellow, grows tall and will bloom from bulblets if given a chance. A good cut flower.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-25c

- 510 GOLDEN ARROW (85 days) a pure pastel yellow with no distracting markings. Straight, tall, with eight 5½-inch florets open. A good propagator and vigorous grower. A new one well worth having.

Large 3-30c, 10-80c, Medium 3-25c, 10-65c, Small 10-35c

- 310 MOTHER KADEL (77 days) a medium yellow without any foreign color. Opens 5 to 7 with 5 more showing. Can and does win in its class. One of the best yellow commercials and in great demand by the florists. This glad goes well in arrangements.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-25c

- 410 OREGON GOLD (110 days) an outstanding bright yellow. It grows tall, straight, and opens many large florets.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c

- 413 SPOTLIGHT (80 days) large clear medium yellow with small scarlet blotch deep in throat. It is very striking and beautiful, a vigorous grower, and makes tall fine spikes with 6 to 7 moderately waved florets open.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 4-25c, 10-50c

We will miss your lovely glads till next summer. I do want to thank you for the extras.

M. H.—Nebraska



## BUFF - Class 16

Two new ones in this class this year. Both are very fine with GUNPOWDER making 4 foot spikes from No. 6 bulbs and APRICOT GLORY having flowerheads up to 36 inches. We sold out of all sizes of APRICOT GLORY with the exception of small but you will get a good bloom from this size so don't pass it by on this account. The other two glads in this class have already proven themselves so no comment is necessary.

416 APRICOT GLORY (90 days) an outstanding, extremely large glad of lovely apricot buff color. Tall, fine placement and good substance.  
Small 20c each

416 GUNPOWDER (85 days) a clear buff sport of Picardy. Same as its parent except color. Many comments in the field on this one.  
Large 3-25c, 10-65c

417 SUN SPOT (80 days) nicely ruffled apricot buff with rose spot in the throat. Opens 7 to 9 large florets on a fine tall spike. One you should try, we think you will like it.  
Large 30c each, Medium 25c each

416 SUSQUEHANNA (90 days) a fine peach buff with cream throat. Opens 6 to 8 medium florets on a straight spike. A very good variety.  
Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 4-25c, 10-50c

## ORANGE - Light 20 Dark 22 Red Orange 24

Early sales exhausted our stock of KESTREL. Still have small bulbs of OCTOBER SUNSHINE which will produce fine blooms. LANTANA while an older variety still wins at the shows over many a new variety. Be sure and note the miniature ELDA listed here.

220 ELDA (85 days) an early miniature. Yellow orange with slight brown feather. This is a fine little glad that is tall and a very vigorous grower. We only list two miniatures but both are good and a decided change from the general run of glads.  
Large 2-25c, 5-50c, Medium 2-20c, 5-40c

420 LANTANA (75 days) light apricot with a blended yellow throat. Opens 6-8 large florets on a medium stem. A good cut flower and vigorous grower.  
Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-25c

420 OCTOBER SUNSHINE (85 days) a beautiful, tall, straight, light orange blending to a golden yellow throat; opens well in water, propagates easily and has healthy habits. Truly a glad of merit.  
Small 15c each

### PASTEL SELECTION

Dainty pastel shades that everyone loves. Different varieties than last year. All are light, soft colors and include Annamae—White, White Gold—Giant Cream, Gold Dust—Yellow, Truelove—Pink, and Lavender and Gold—Lavender. Other fine varieties and colors included. Unlabeled.

Large - 50 for \$2.50; 100 for \$4.00  
Medium - 50 for \$2.00; 100 for \$3.50



## SALMON - Light 30 Deep 32

The classification of SPIC & SPAN has been changed to a deep pink (442) so will be found in the Pink class this year. Of the three remaining glads in this class MARGARET FULTON is the heaviest winner but all are winning more than their share of blue ribbons in their respective classes.

430 GAVOTTE (78 days) a frilled light salmon pink with cream throat.  
Large 20c each, Medium 2-30c

332 MARGARET FULTON (80 days) a dainty medium salmon, probably the best cutflower of this color. Top show winner in its class.  
Large 3-20c, 10-55c

532 MARION PEARL (85 days) a light salmon pink shading to a lighter throat. Will open up to 9 giant blooms on a tall spike and have as many as 21 buds. A very good glad.  
Large 3-40c, Medium 3-30c

## SCARLET - Class 36

Sorry there is only one glad here this year but it is tops. Early sales kept us from including MARSEILLAISE and TUNIA'S MARVEL. The variety listed, ALGONQUIN, is a very fine glad. Checked the results of 56 shows last year and found that this variety was the winner in its class 28 times. You certainly can't go wrong with it.

536 ALGONQUIN (80 days) large brilliant scarlet with ruffled needle-point blooms on a tall straight spike. Opens 8-10 on an 18 to 21 bud spike. We use this variety for our commercial scarlet because we have not found any other variety that can equal this fine, outstanding glad which is highly rated by most of the commercial growers.  
Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c

## PINK - Light 40 and 41 Deep 42 and 43

Three new ones here and SPIC & SPAN comes in from the Salmon class. No need to talk about SPIC & SPAN as it is always tops regardless of which class it is in. We won Reserve Grand Champion with this variety at the Nebraska Show last year. Of the three new varieties listed, we like TRUELOVE for its delicate softness and early blooms. Speaking of early, JUNE DAY is about as early a glad for its size as you will find. Sends up a fine spike too. BEAUTY'S BLUSH is another fine dainty pink. All are well worth growing.

440 BEAUTY'S BLUSH (85 days) Delicate soft blushing pink, stands heat and is very healthy. Good propagator and grows well from bulblets.  
Large 3-40c

541 BIG TOP (75 days) a very large pink with carmine feather. We have had some florets reach 9 inches across and spikes 74 inches tall. A giant that is a giant.  
Small only 4-20c

441 JUNE DAY (58 days) the earliest blooming glad we grow. A pure pink with small cherry blotch in throat. Produces large bulblets that germinate easily.  
Large only 40c each

- 540 MAGNOLIA (85 days) a clear dainty pink, blooming large on a straight sturdy spike. Opens 6-8. Very popular with the florists.  
Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-25c
- 540 STELLA ANTISDALE (80 days) smooth, soft light pink, a bit lighter and creamy in throat. 6 inch florets, 7-9 open easily in the field, 18-20 buds on tall, strong stems. Placement is always full double row.  
Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 4-25c, 10-50c
- 442 SPIC & SPAN (80 days) ruffled deep pink which opens 10 on a 19 to 22 bud spike. A good germinator and propagator. Stands up well and wins at most of the shows.  
Large 30c each, Medium 20c each
- 440 TRUELOVE (70 days) a dainty clear pastel pink that produces consistently saleable spikes from small bulbs. A very early pink for cut flower work. One you should have.  
Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 3-20c, 10-55c

### RED - Light 50 Deep 52

All varieties listed with the exception of the one miniature were heavy winners at the shows last year. All are fine. Our stock of STOPLIGHT does not appear to be as susceptible to disease as most strains. We sold more bulbs of this variety from the field than any other one variety. When the visitors saw it in bloom they wanted it for planting this spring. It grew shoulder high coonsistently. FIREBRAND brought us a Grand Champion this year and was so popular in the field last summer that we are only able to list small bulbs.

- 452 FIREBRAND (85 days) a glistening medium red blending to slightly darker throat. Produces tall, slender spikes that are straight. Florets are firmly attached. Always very fine with us.  
Small only 4-20c
- 450 HAWKEYE RED (85 days) a bright, medium red with nice form and growing habits. A sport of Vagabond Prince that is healthy and consistent.  
Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c
- 150 KEWPIE (68 days) a dainty small decorative red with a picotee edge. Wins prizes frequently and is a popular miniature for arrangements.  
Large 3-25c, 10-70c
- 450 STOPLIGHT (90 days) brilliant red, slightly ruffled opening up to eight 5 inch florets. Our commercial red and is liked very well by the florists, you should too.  
Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c

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Our glads are just beginning to bloom. I bought your Rainbow Selection and am certainly enjoying the surprise that each spike holds. Our friends declare them the prettiest glads they have ever seen. Am enclosing order for fall blooming.

M. M.—Georgia

See inside back cover—for FREE permanent Weatherproof Tag offer.

## BLACK REDS - Class 54

We are happy to be able to list more varieties in this very popular class. Sales were heavy from the field and because of this, only small bulbs of MIDNIGHT RED and MOHAWK are listed. REWI FALLU is still one of the top favorites of the visitors when they see it in bloom. BLACK OPAL is about a 2 to 1 winner over all other varieties in its class at the shows. It is the best in its class.

354 BLACK OPAL (92 days) a consistent black red of medium size which we highly recommend. A tall growing glad of distinction. We always sell out on this favorite.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c

454 MIDNIGHT RED (70 days) very dark red with slight cream markings. 5 inch florets and opens 6 on a 16 bud spike. A lovely glad.

Small only 4-20c

454 MOHAWK (85 days) deep maroon opening 6 to 8 five inch florets on a tall straight spike. An outstanding glad.

Small only 4-20c

554 REWI FALLU (95 days) massive deep blood red. Florets are very large on a strong, medium height stem. You will like it.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c

## ROSE - Light 60 Deep 62

Still leading the rose class is BURMA. Last year's show results confirm the fact that BURMA is still the leading glad in its class. CORONA did not do as well this year as it should but is capable of sending up a show winning spike. We are not listing it and have discarded all stock except a few select. We will list this select strain later if it proves worthy. The other glads listed are consistent favorites year after year and last year won their share of blue ribbons at the shows.

562 BURMA (88 days) large, heavily ruffled deep rose with slightly lighter throat. Opens up to 19 florets on an exhibition spike. This is a wonderful glad and we know you will love it.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 4-25c, 10-50c

362 EARLY ROSE (70 days) an early two-tone rich rose. This glad will give you a very outstanding color. We use it with the variety Annamae for early bouquets.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-30c

460 ROSA VAN LIMA (80 days) a pure light pink with white midribs. This is a fine Holland variety. Opens 8 on a tall straight spike. Liked very well by the florists.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c

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Received glad price list and appreciate your sending same. It is too early here for planting but will want to get some additional bulbs and since my order from you last season proved to be as represented, you can expect an order.

California Hobbyist

## LAVENDER - Class 66

Yes, it is ELIZABETH THE QUEEN on top again this year. WEDGEWOOD was very popular last summer with our visitors so sold out of all sizes but small before they were harvested this fall. We have included 4 additional varieties in this class this year and are sure any one or all will be a delightful addition to your garden.

566 ELIZABETH THE QUEEN (86 days) a beautifully ruffled light lavender. 7-8 florets open on a straight sturdy spike. This is the best and most beautiful lavender we have seen. A very good commercial.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 4-25c, 10-50c

466 LAVENDER DREAM (85 days) a bright attractive glad classified as lavender but really cattleya rose violet with creamy marks. It's different, has good qualities and causes many comments.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c

366 LAVENDER & GOLD (70 days) a very early, frilled light lavender with a dainty yellow throat. Opens 5-7 medium sized blooms on a tall straight stem.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c, Small 10-30c

366 LAVENDER RUFFLES (85 days) an early, clear pinkish lavender that grows very well, even from small. A different glad worth growing.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c

466 MYRNA FAY (75 days) a rich early lavender, tall, straight and very prolific. Opens well from tight buds.

Large only 20c each

366 WEDGEWOOD (80 days) a disease-free, waxy, ruffled lavender that is gorgeous. It's creamy throat adds greatly to its beauty. A 1947 Fischer introduction everyone should grow.

Small only 3-30c

## PURPLE - Class 70

All three varieties listed were among the top winners at the shows last summer so you can't go wrong on any of them. Each is different in color, form, as well as in size. PURPLE SUPREME grew shoulder high again this year. Very consistent.

370 FUCHSIA MAID (73 days) a true fuchsia color, between deep wine red and purple. Holds 5-6 open on a wiry 16 bud spike. Produces large bulb-lets which germinate readily.

Large 3-25c, 10-65c, Medium 4-25c, 10-50c

570 KING LEAR (75 days) magnificent, early, ruffled reddish purple of great size. We like the silvery edged petals which enhance its lustrous sheen.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c

470 PURPLE SUPREME (85 days) large outstanding purple opening 8-10 well placed florets on a shoulder-high spike.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c, Medium 4-20c, 10-40c

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See D. D. T. offer on page eleven

## VIOLET - Light Blue 76 Dark Blue 78

BLUE BEAUTY and RAVEL are the top glads in this class. We are listing BLUE BEAUTY and will have RAVEL in our 1952 catalog. If you do not grow BLUE BEAUTY then by all means don't miss this chance to get it. A wonderful glad.

- 476 BLUE BEAUTY (75 days) the best medium blue. It is a rich color shading deeper in the throat. This European variety has 5-6 of 18 buds open at one time. Our commercial blue.

Large 3-20c, 10-55c

## DARK SMOKIES - Class 86

Here are the glads that will give you that contrast and cause much comment among your friends. Most every visitor that ordered bulbs last summer ordered at least one of the glads listed below. These are the "different" colors you've been looking for.

- 586 FLYING FORTRESS (93 days) lavender gray with a small and very attractive red tongue on lower petals. Immense florets sometimes reaching 8 inches across from large bulbs. Opens 10-12 florets on a 17 to 20 bud spike. This is a very fine glad and stands up well.

Large 15c each, 3-40c

- 386 OKLAHOMA (90 days) a beautifully ruffled pinkish lilac. One of the very best smokies and different from all the rest. 5 inch florets, 7 open, 18 buds, 26 inch flowerhead, 48 inches tall.

Large 15c each, 3-40c

- 586 TUNIA'S MAHOMET (75 days) an early smoky plum rose, with orange scarlet throat. Opens up to 8 giant florets on a tall straight spike. A good propagator.

Large 15c each, 3-40c

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We were more than pleased with the bulbs we purchased from you. Every variety brought us at least one blue ribbon in three shows we entered last summer.

Nebraska Grower

See FREE BULB offer on page two

### RAINBOW SELECTION

Vivid colors from light to dark await you in this prize Rainbow Selection. You will find Stoplight, Snow Princess, Rewi Fallu, Mother Kadel, Magnolia, Lantana, Purple Supreme, Lavender & Gold, Burma, Margaret Fulton, and other fine varieties. Unlabeled.

Large - 50 for \$2.50; 100 for \$4.00  
Medium - 50 for \$2.00; 100 for \$3.50

# WHOLESALE

VARIETY	LARGE	PRICE PER 100	
		MEDIUM	SMALL
Annamae	4.00		2.00
Elizabeth the Queen	4.50	3.00	2.00
Gold Dust	4.00	3.00	2.00
Golden Arrow			2.50
Lantana	4.00	3.00	2.00
Lavender & Gold	4.00	3.00	2.00
Margaret Fulton	4.00	3.00	
Mother Kadel	4.00	3.00	2.00
Purple Supreme			2.00
Rewi Fallu	4.00		
Snow Princess	4.00	3.00	2.00
Truelove	4.50		
White Gold	4.00		

25 or more at 100 rate      1,000 at 8 times 100 rate.

Prices quoted above are F. O. B. Valparaiso, Nebraska.

I couldn't wait till fall to report on the success I am having with the Gratis ANNAMAE. We have had the very worst sort of weather this spring, high winds, unusual hot sun, no seasonal rains, yet ANNAMAE comes through with 9 blossoms and as many unopened buds. I was sure no white would do this.

F. H.—Oklahoma

I received my glad corms today. Thanks for being so prompt in filling my order. I want to say they are the nicest corms I have ever seen, well cleaned, and free of spots.

Commercial Grower—Oklahoma

## D. D. T. FOR THRIP CONTROL

Did you know that Thrips can ruin the majority of your blooms? You may be unaware of their presence until your blooms fail to open or are deformed. Thrips remain hidden in the leaf sheath only emerging at night or on a cloudy day. A simple and effective control is the application of 5% D. D. T. dust at one week intervals from the time they are 6 inches high until the first bloom opens. This may be applied with an inexpensive duster or if you raise a very few, a porous cloth bag may be used shaking gently over each plant, preferable after watering or in the early morning after a dew.

The best part about using D. D. T. dust is that there is no danger to the plant or bulb if an excessive amount is used.

CAUTION — If inhaled by humans a temporary toxic condition may develop but no permanent effects will be felt. Ordinary care will insure no harm to the person making the application.

## PRICES ON 5% D. D. T. DUST

Postpaid when accompanied by a bulb order from our retail list.

If ordered alone shipment made transportation collect.

1 lb. for \$0.25—5 lbs. for \$1.00—10 lbs. for \$1.80

Prices on larger lots furnished on request.







## ALUMINUM WEATHERPROOF TAGS

Do you have trouble reading the names on your tags and stakes at the end of the season? If you do, then these aluminum Weatherproof Tags will save you a lot of worry. These tags can always be easily read, and used year after year.

We use nothing but these tags in our fields and find them very satisfactory. They will not rust or corrode and are far superior to copper or other material. These Aluminum Weatherproof Tags engrave better and will last indefinitely. Many of our tags are buried under the dirt summer after summer and when they are removed we have no difficulty in reading the variety name.

These tags are permanently engraved by simply writing on the Aluminum side with an ordinary pencil and the name will be pressed into the aluminum. In case you make a mistake you may erase by removing the backing and press out your error. Copper wires furnished for each tag.

Priced at the rate of 2c each but when accompanied by a bulb order we offer you a special price of 1½c each.

## NOTE

A FREE Aluminum Weatherproof Tag will be given you for each variety ordered when your BULB ORDER amounts to \$5.00 or more.

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